

WEFT Associates Meeting
Wednesday, December 1, 2021
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

On-Line via <https://zoom.us/> ID: 811 895 6459; telephone call-in # 312 626 6799

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order Mike Feldman (MF) @ 7:05pm.
- II. Introductions– completed.
- III. Approval of the Agenda – EU moves, TH seconds. Approved via acclamation.
- IV. Approval of the Minutes: June 2, 2021 – JM moves, KE seconds. Approved via acclamation.
- V. Reports from Committees & Board
 - A. **Board of Directors** VN reports that Adrian of Live Action Games (next door to WEFT) has volunteered to clear snow from the front of our building when needed while a permanent solution is sought. WEFT sold 50 shares of Apple stock. The BOD approved the job description for station manager and sent it to wefto. BOD meeting for December will be held on January 10; the January meeting will occur on Jan. 31, 2022. BOD has combined the Community Outreach Committee and the Financial Development Committee into one.
 - B. **Treasurer’s Report** – BP provides attached report.
 - C. **Governance Committee** – GP reports she is working on a Bylaws comparison of old vs. new to be presented to the BOD.
 - D. **Human Resources** –no report.
 - E. **Programming** -- GP provides attached report.
 - F. **Music** – did not meet in November. Processing new music slowly.
 - G. **Digital Library, Eng., Bldg.** – FS provided the attached report.
 - H. **Financial Development** – VN reports that the winter appeal letter went to the printer today. Many thanks to Cope C. and her artist friend Mark for the colorful letter/envelope and content. New WEFT stickers are now available. Spring pledge drive planning to begin soon.
 - I. **Remote Access Team (RAT)** – GP provides attached report.
 - J. **Community Outreach** – TH reports that the committee did not meet last month but plans to meet in January.
 - K. **Comments & Questions from Associates** – None
- VI. Voting:
 - o Board of Directors (1 + 2(?) seats) VN nominates Craig Koslofsky; CK accepts. CK is

elected unanimously.

- Programming Committee (1 seat) Bill Wolfe nominates himself. EU nominates Tim Burnett, MP seconds. TB was not in attendance but gave word that he is willing to run. BW wins election.

VII. New Business – MF reports that Jason Liggett is leaving Urbana and it may be more difficult to get video of WEFT Sessions, etc., to UPTV.

VIII. Adjourn TH moves, FS seconds. Acclamation @ 8:57pm.

NEXT ASSOCIATES MEETING IS

Thursday, March 3, 2022

via Zoom meeting? (TBA), 7pm

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Report - December Associates Meeting 12/01/21

Account Balances 12/01/21

PNC Checking & Money Market, Paypal \$107,896.17

(Sept. '21: \$104,384.90, Jan. '20: \$85,278.77)

TDA – 536 x AAPL \$164.55 + 3000 x PSEC \$8.49 \$123,224.86

Total Assets (Sept '21: \$219K Jan '20: \$157K) **\$231,121.03**

WEFT sold 50 shares of AAPL @ \$167.00 today 12/1/21 = \$8349.95

Total income from AAPL stock so far \$42,921.94 (orig donation was \$40K)

WEFT has closed out FY 2021, year-end report on Governance page (show \$61,000 profit) and approved FY'22 budget is in the same Finance section

Income:

Donorsnap income –Sept. \$10,465, Oct. \$4,167, Nov. \$1,767

Fall Pledge – 40th \$13,000 (includes WEFT-fest)

Community Foundation announced, check delivery 12/7/21) = \$7500

Underwriting Furniture Lounge - \$125

Expenses:

Hartford (Building) Insurance - \$3700

NFCB FY '22 (includes \$275 Sound Exchange) - \$1275

Amazon Numark CD Player 1 - \$249

PO Box - \$150, Safety Deposit Box \$39, Fire Extinguishers \$55 + \$56 (FS not dep)

Pacifica FY '22 - \$500 (sent not processed)

Minuteman (stickers) \$209 (sent not processed)

WEFT Zoom - \$150 (RG not dep)

Monthly Bills – Tower Rental \$781.20 Donorsnap \$79

Comcast \$315/month (speed increase from 75 to 200Mbps)

Power (November) - \$810 (range for 2021 \$623 - \$1069),

Viastreaming \$32 ABC \$30 AT&T (tower phone) \$75 U&C Sanitary \$32 bi-monthly

Upcoming: Hot Water Heater \$500?, Optimod \$3600? Roof \$38,000, NNN \$500

Income History: 2021 - \$80K 2020 - \$72K, 2019 - \$90K, 2018 - \$99K

Programming Committee Report for Dec 1, 2021 Associates' Meeting

New/Time Change Shows:

Jim Eagan – Neon Blues Tuesday 11:30am-2pm

Michael Hill – Islamic Perspectives beginning 12/4/21, 1st and 3rd Saturdays 1-2pm

Magical Mystery Tour/Behind the News/On the Ground – Wednesday 6-7pm

“Unofficial” proposal in the works for home-produced, 1st Monday Jazz programming 9-11:30am

Possible broadcast of Jason Croft’s new “Atomic Age Cocktail Party” after the new year

Ended Shows:

Bachelor Pad – Jason Croft (currently airing encore shows) Friday 10pm-midnight

Friday Forum – Wednesday 6-7pm is on hiatus until Spring 2022 semester

PC Membership/Open Seats:

One Associate elected seat available tonight (two year term). Two BOD elected seats available – please see Gina for BOD election procedure if interested.

PC working on:

Due to Covid-19 considerations, the PC has been conducting meetings via Zoom. The PC was able to meet regularly during Q4 (two meetings canceled due to quorum issues).

Airshifter tracking tool – reminder emails went out to any Airshifter that has not attended two Associates' meetings in the past year (19 Airshifters) and all Airshifters in arrears with their membership dues (6 folks) on Nov 27 (20 meeting/7 dues prior to Sept 2 meeting). AEC (Bill Wolfe) continues work on development of a new mechanism to notify Associates of requirements.

FCC Classroom training was held via Zoom on October 5 – 7 participants. All booth training will be completed by mid-January. Next FCC training will be held after spring pledge drive.

Airshifter reminder email was sent via wefto on Oct. 18 and bullet points were posted in the booth on Oct. 18. Please be mindful of program start/stop times, station security, on-air volume

levels.

PC Officers – Gina elected Chair, Vicki elected Vice-Chair at 9/28 PC meeting; Kristy was elected Secretary (Communications) at the 11/23 PC meeting. Terms run until Sept. 27, 2022.

DLC is working on the automatic broadcast of emergency weather notifications. PC will notify Airshiffters prior to implementation of this new listener service.

Current Open Show Time Slots:

Sunday

Freeform Overnight 5-6am

Monday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6am

Monday Morning Menu 6-9am

Monday Morning Jazz 9-11:30am

Global Music 2-4pm

New Collective “Free for All” 8-10pm

Tuesday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6:30am

Global Music 2-4pm

Wednesday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6am

Morning Menu 6-9am

The Courier 4-6pm (Excellent volunteer opportunity)

Open Format 7-8pm

Thursday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6am

Global Music 2-4pm

The Courier 4-6pm (Excellent Volunteer opportunity)

Open Format 7-8pm

Friday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6am

The Courier 4-6pm (Excellent volunteer opportunity)

Saturday

Freeform Overnight midnight-6a

Open Format 10pm-midnight

Program proposal forms (hard copies) are in PC binder in the back studio. Digital versions found at http://new.weft.org/about/show_proposal.html and may be emailed to programming@weft.org.

WEFT Digital Library 2021 Q4 Associates Meeting Report

For 12/01/21 7:00 PM

1. Sound Exchange:
 - a. Q3 2021 reporting period is submitted on time, awaiting status.
 - b. Q4 2021 reporting period completed 11/27, report due ~ 01/2/22.
2. Facilities:
 - a. Temperature tuning continues on the HVAC system. Thermostat locked to control changes and avoid freezing the system and causing a shutdown.
 - b. Repair of transmitter AC #1 is complete. Repair of #2 is TBD. Unit #1 has some unexplained shutdowns, under observation. Discussion about the risk of the reduced level remote monitoring of transmitter site levels.
 - c. Roof replacement bids complete, decision in-process. Possible grant \$.
 - d. Hot water heater: Funded by grant. Pending time and bids.
 - e. Bathroom vent fan: Pending install.
3. Engineering / IT:
 - a. Signal static continues to be heard frequently. Monitoring equipment installed in Spring 2021. Inconclusive so far. (Not to be confused with the occasional intrusion by other FM channels.)
 - b. The new hotel to be built in downtown Champaign will likely block the WEFT signal from Lincoln Building to transmitter. Options include relocating the downtown end of the signal path to a different building.
 - c. Motor-boating noise still there, no change. Not a priority.
 - d. Bob did the summer archive of library music and programs.
 - e. Great Hall / Recording / Streaming computer / CDs: No major issues. New CD player installed (track 1 issues). Comp 1 will eventually be replaced with a new system.
 - f. Dave completed installation of the monitoring system. Basic monitoring is in place, now deciding who to notify and how to respond.
4. FCC:
 - a. Public File: Ownership Report 323-E due 12/2021, complete. Next 2023.
 - b. Public File: Issues / Air Time Requests for Q3 submitted. Next 01/10/22.
 - c. FCC license renewal deadline: license approved through 2028.
 - d. The Emergency Alert System (EAS) is up-to-date on firmware revisions, and is passing Required Monthly Tests through.
 - e. The Required Weekly Tests are being done successfully by Mike Pasteris and Bob Paleczny, during their programs. The Programming Committee and the DL have agreed to replace this manual step with automated weekly tests in a Zara window (Thursday afternoon). Implementation in planning stage.

- f. The Programming Committee and the DL have agreed to activate EAS pass-through of severe weather alerts to Champaign County. Implementation in planning stage.
5. Admin
- a. No further progress on expanding recurring tasks list and projects lists.
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RAT (Remote Access Team) Report

RAT (Remote Access Team) Report for Dec. 1, 2021 Associates' Meeting

As of Nov. 22, 12 shows per week were being home-produced and 39 shows per week were being produced in-studio. The balance of 27 shows per week was being covered by RAT member remote operations (Courier/Informational programming/Zara).

As of Oct. 25, 2021 13/38/28

As of Sept. 27, 2021 12/37/29

WEFT RAT continues to support Airshiffters who choose to remain at home via remote Zara coverage or through facilitation of the broadcast of home-produced programming.

Eligible voting Associates (per Mike Feldman, Associates Chair)

Aaron Ammons
Mark Audi
Richard Bressler
Dave Casey
Lorri Coey
Jason Croft
Cope Cumpston
Kevin Elliott
Mike Feldman
Jason Finkelman
Indranil Gupta
Edwin Hadley
Ian Hammond
Michael Hill
Kristin Holtz
Britta Langsjoen
Jeff Machota
Shaun Mills
Paul Mueth
Mark Mulcahey
Mark Niswander
Gina Pagliuso
Kristy Rice
Michael Pasteris
Anthony Santarelli
William X. Saylor
Richard Schoell
Fred Segovich
Ramavarapu Sreenivas
Brian Teague
Evelyn Underwood
Zack Widup
Dave Witzany
William Wolfe

Meeting Attendees

Jeanie Covert*
Cope Cumpston
Kevin Elliott
Mike Feldman
Ed Hadley
Michael Hill
Kristin Holtz
Todd Hunter
Micaela Kauffman
Craig Koslofsky
Sarah Lyon
Jeff Machota
Mark Niswander
Vicki Niswander*
Gina Pagliuso
Bob Paleczny*
Michael Pasteris
Kristy Rice
Eric Robeson
Rick Schoell
Fred Segovich
Ramavarapu Sreenivas
Barbara Trumpinski-Roberts*
Evelyn Underwood
Dave Vollenweider
Lynn White
Dave Witzany
William Wolfe

*BOD members (ineligible to vote in Associate proceedings)

Members with excused absences

Rich Bressler
Denise Curia
Jason Finkelman
Ian Hammond
Zach Widup